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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: MASS, PCAT, PARM, GR, TU
SUBJECT: F-16 AIRCRAFT FOR GREECE AND TURKEY

REFS: A) STATE 39154, DTG 142258Z FEB 78, B) ANKARA 1112,
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1. ON FEBRUARY 13, WE RECEIVED CALL FROM GENERAL DYNAMICS (GD) REPRESENTATIVE IN ATHENS IN WHICH HE SAID THAT GD HAD RECEIVED DEPARTMENT'S APPROVAL TO DISCUSS F-16 RADAR/MISSILE INTEGRATION AND F-16 RECONNAISSANCE VERSION WITH GOG AND GOT. HE ALSO SAID TEAM FROM GD-FORT WORTH WOULD VISIT ATHENS FEBRUARY 27-28 TO MEET WITH GOG AND TEAM WISHED TO COME TO ANKARA ON MARCH 2-3 FOR DISCUSSIONS WITH MISSION AND TURKISH AIR FORCE. GD REP ALSO ASKED FOR ASSISTANCE IN FACILITATING CONTACTS WITH TURKS; WE PROVIDED ONLY NAME OF DEFENSE MINISTRY PROCUREMENT OFFICIAL AND SAID WE WERE NOT IN POSITION TO FACILITATE ANY GD VISIT/MEETING REQUESTS.

2. PER REF A INSTRUCTION, WE WILL RETURN F-16 BOOKLETS TO GD ATHENS REPRESENTATIVE. IN VIEW OF USG POLICY DISCOURAGING GREEK AND TURKISH INTEREST IN F-16'S AT
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THIS TIME BECAUSE OF SITUATION IN EASTERN MEDITERRANEAN (REF C), WE PLAN TO DEAL WITH GD TEAM VISIT IN CONSONANCE WITH COURTESIES EXTENDED TO ALL U.S. DEFENSE CONTRACTORS INTERESTED IN TURKEY. PURSUANT TO USG ARMS TRANSFER POLICY GUIDELINES, WE WOULD NOT, OF COURSE, INTERVENE ON GD'S BEHALF IN FACILITATING CONTACTS WITH GOT.

3. ACTION REQUESTED: WE WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING
DEPARTMENT'S GUIDANCE ON FUTURE MISSION CONTACTS
WITH GD REPRESENTATIVES ON F-16 MATTERS.
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